

Sumter Little Theatre Presents



Written by Jessie Jones,  
Nicholas Hope, and  
Jamie Wooten

Directed By Eric Bultman  
**May 12-15 & 19-22, 2011**



# Cast

Sheree.....Rhonda O'Shields  
 Dinah.....Shannon Mewborn  
 Lexie.....Heather Turner  
 Jeri Neal.....Jennifer Thigpen  
 Vernadette.....Patricia Kolp



## PLACE

The living room of a beach cottage on the  
 Outer Banks of North Carolina.

## TIME

One weekend in August.

## ACT ONE

Scene 1: Twenty-two years after the  
 characters' college graduation.

Scene 2: Five years later.

## ACT TWO

Scene 1: Five years later.

Scene 2: Twenty-three years later.

There will be a fifteen minute  
 intermission between Act I and Act II.

*The Dixie Swim Club* is presented by  
 Special arrangement with  
 Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York.

**Rhonda O'Shields** (Sheree) is a stay at home - homeschool mom of 4. She has had a passion for the Arts from the age of 3 when she started singing and performing in church. She also plays the piano, guitar, and bass and is currently writing and recording her own music. This is her first production with SLT and it has been a fabulous experience. She hopes to stay involved in the SLT either in other performances or just helping out in another capacity. She would like to thank her husband, Michael, and her children, Ethan, Caleb, Adam and Grace, for their support during this time.

**Shannon Mewborn** (Dinah) is a "sorta-kinda" veteran of the SLT stage, last seen in *Girls Night Out*. She's thrilled to be back and loves playing the wise-cracking, cynical Dinah, but asks that her friends and family please refrain from making too many jokes about any type casting that might have gone on. Thanks to the wonderful ladies in the cast who have been such fun to get to know and work with and to our fabulous director and crew who make everything flow. By day, Shannon works with medical students in the USC School of Medicine's Department of Family Medicine.

**Heather Turner** (Lexie) has been performing with SLT off and on since the age of nine. In recent years she has appeared in SLT's productions of *Sylvia*, *Proof*, and *How the Other Half Loves*. Heather also wears the hat of director from time to time. Some of her recent directorial projects for SLT include this season's opener *The Odd Couple*, *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*, and *Henry and Ramona*. During the day Heather teaches Spanish at Sumter High School. At home she enjoys spending time with her husband David and 12 year old daughter Isabelle, who shares her love for the theatre.

**Jennifer Thigpen** (Jeri Neal) is a native of Sumter and has been practicing dental hygiene for the past 10 years at Carolina Children's Dentistry. She last performed in the SLT production of *Our Town* when in high school. She would like to thank Eric Bultman for giving her this opportunity to work with such a great cast and crew. Jennifer would also like to thank her family, especially her girls, Abby and Kate, for their support throughout this production.

**Patricia Kolp** (Vernadette) has spent the past 22 years as a wife and mother, homeschooling both her children through graduation, and being active with Frasier Music Institute, Boy Scouts, church praise team and youth group. During this time she also ran a website design and hosting company, as well as operating a book printing service and several online groups for homeschooling and community services. Since becoming an empty nester, she has joined the Civic Chorale, and decided to revisit the love of the theater she had in high school by auditioning for *The Dixie Swim Club*. Patricia enjoys camping, needle arts, crafting, baking, and feeding people.

# Production Notes

**Director** .....Eric Bultman

**Stage Manager**.....Mark Van Sickle

**Technical Director**.....Michael Duffy

**Set Construction**.....Ann Beaty

Carmela Bryan, Kendall Van Sickle,

Mark Van Sickle, Matt Wilt

**Costume Design**.....Marge Cowles

**Properties**.....Sylvia Pickell

**Light Technician**.....Michael Gibbs

**Sound Technician**.....Michael Bacon

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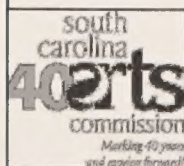
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